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FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

TO ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As required by guidelines for the preparation of environmental impact statements, an environmental review has been performed on the proposed action below:

Project: Town of Swink's Water Evaluation

Location:

Otero County, Colorado

Project No.

090022D

Total Cost:

\$633,000

Project Description

The proposed project is the construction of a new water line to tie in the City of La Junta's drinking water to the Town of Swink's drinking water system and the associated appurtenances. The project will be funded by a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$633,000. The proposed project will receive \$287,303 in principal forgiveness, which will be forgiven at loan execution, and a 1% loan in the amount of \$345,697. The project will increase the user rates by \$4.10 per month.

The review process did not indicate that significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed action. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been made. The action is taken on the basis of a careful review of the engineering report, environmental assessment, and other supporting data that are on file in the Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, and are available for public review upon request.

Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted for consideration to:

Corrina Quintana, Project Manager
Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
WQCD-GLU-B2
4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
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After evaluation of the comments received, the Division will make a final decision; however, no administrative decision will be taken on the project for at least 30 calendar days after release of the Finding of No Significant Impact.

Dated this ______ day of September 2013

Steven H. Gunderson

Director, Water Quality Control Division